GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
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NEXUS BETWEEN CRICKET PLAYERS AND MAFIA
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Cricket Players have any nexus with International Mafia dons; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI PON. RADHAKIRISHNAN)

(a) & (b):In Chapter VI. `Conclusions` of the CBI Report on Match Fixing and Related Malpractices it is indicated that there are clea signals that the underworld mafia has started taking interest in the betting racket and can be expected to take overall control of this activitity, if not checked immediately with firm hand. No speicific details are, however, indicated in the report.